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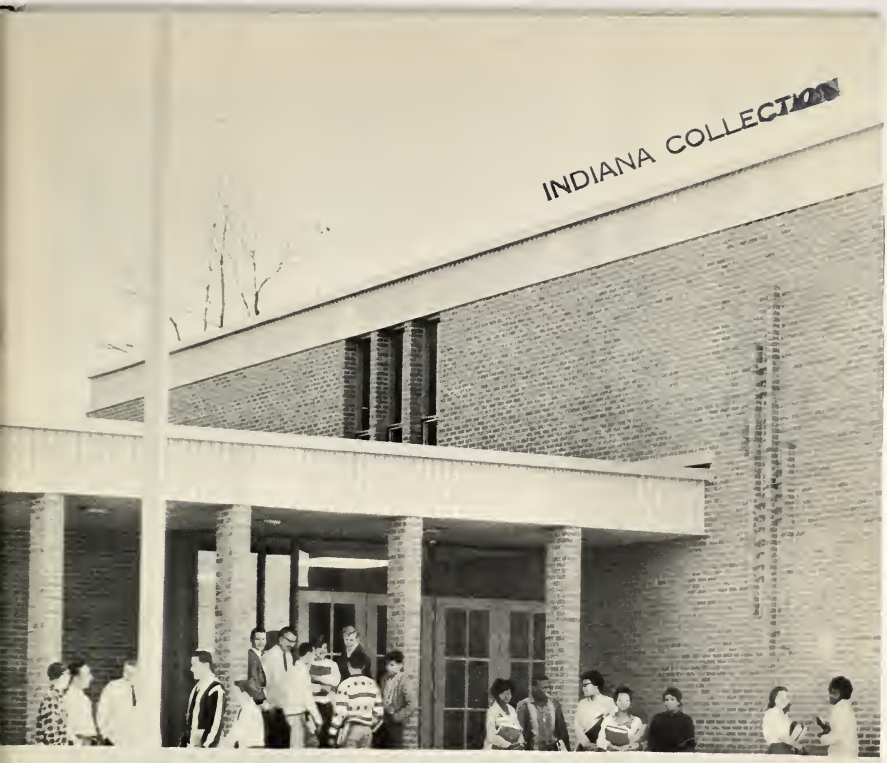


EISSER PARK JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

# The WEISSER WORLD

## 1964-65

*Weisser Park Junior High School*
*Fort Wayne, Indiana*

# A New World Opens

The "Weisser World" officially began at the dedication ceremony on December 6, 1964, when the building was presented to the people of Fort Wayne and the key entrusted to Mr. Edward Byrne, principal.

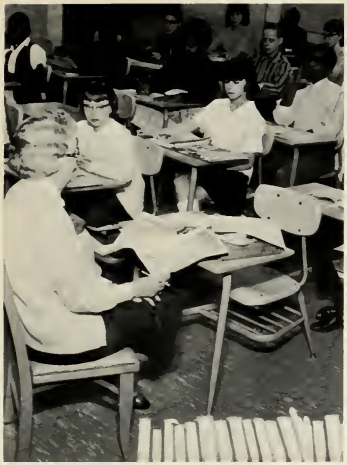
The dedication address was given by Dr. B. Joseph Martin, President of Taylor University. Mr. Leslie Fry, President of the Board of School Trustees, accepted the building from the architect Mr. Kenneth D. Cole. Comments were made by Mr. Darrell Good, representing the parents, and Miss Cynthia Gidley, president of the Student Council, representing the students.

Cindy Gidley speaks for students.

Dr. B. Joseph Martin gives dedication address.

We, the yearbook staff, proudly present the first annual record of the first year of Weisser Park Junior High School and wish to dedicate it to the new school and all who made it possible.

Miss Karen Varner, Editor
Mrs. Rebecca Sawyer, Advisor



The students of Mrs. Weick's Developmental Reading class listen carefully and prepare to explore many different types of reading materials and improve their reading speeds and comprehension.

Learning Latin is not really as easy as it may appear; and judging from the intensity of their work, Mr. Bender's class will probably agree that it is hard but interesting.

# Citizens of the 'world' read, write, and speak . . .

French isn't so hard, and it is interesting to learn more about the people who speak it as can be seen from the undivided attention Mr. Custard gets from his class.

"I still don't get it," comments Randy Artherhults as Mrs. Sawyer gets lively response in a discussion of literature, to learn more of what happened long ago and how people wrote and thought then as compared to now.

"Buzzzz. Bang! Grrrind." Mr. Hertig's shop class may be noisy, but the tables, lamps, and cutting boards produced there prove the noise has purpose.

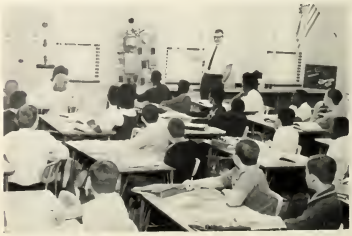
# . . . build, create, express . . .

Ooy, gooy clay is fun to squeeze and mold to one's own creations in Mr. Papier's art class.

"Uh-one, uh-two, uh-three . . ." Mr. Gombert directs his students in expressing themselves with music.

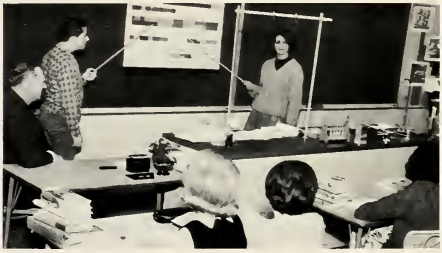
Snipping, cutting, and stitching; mixing, boiling, and baking, these ambitious girls learn to make and mend fashionable clothes and whip up luscious meals in preparation for a future in homemaking. Miss Patton lends a helping, directing hand.

Mr. Campbell explains how to read a light meter, to fix a leaky faucet, to change a fuse and how to do a number of jobs around the house. Listening carefully are the seventh grade students of the Home Arts class.



Mrs. Irmscher points out an important historical place as the students listen carefully to learn and discover interesting and exciting things of the past.

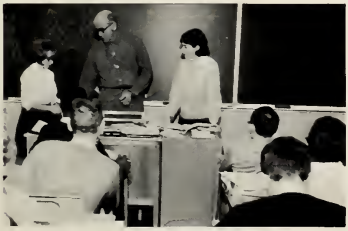
"It's like this . . ." explains Weisser's science teacher from India, Mr. Shah, to his eighth grade science class.



"Here it is . . ." Lynn Rosselot explains to the rest of Mr. Kline's science class, but David Traughber doesn't seem to agree.

# . . . experiment, learn of past and present . . .

Math sounds simple and "x" is easier to find when Mr. Forrester explains them to Charlene Day, Judi Falk, and the rest of the class.



It really isn't so hard or dull learning more about the world we live in now as the students in Mr. Poor's social studies class will admit.

"One, two, three, four." The girls in gym class exercise and keep healthy and fit.

Mrs. Baker's ninth grade study hall looks quiet with everyone intent on getting assignments done and increasing knowledge.

# . . . eat, exercise, and explore

Mr. Massie certainly keeps his students busy with various activities in search of more and deeper learning.

"Shhhh!" One of the busiest places, the library, is one of the quietest where students can concentrate on exploring the vast kingdom of knowledge contained in books.

A relief from hard studies and strenuous assignments comes at noon when students eat lunch and compare notes over what has happened so far in the day.

# Faculty

## Government in the Weisser World

Goals, values and standards of life develop in each Weisser Park student to the extent that each will permit the purposes and examples of school to engrain themselves in each life.

May each one here be worthy of his heritage and his future.

Mr. Edward Byrne
Principal

Mr. Edward Byrne, principal, B.A. and M.S. degrees, attended Indiana University, Michigan State University, Arkansas State College, University of Missouri, Ball State University. Mr. Byrne has taught in the Fort Wayne schools for a number of years. He was principal of Lakeside Elementary and Forest Park Elementary before coming to the highest position at Weisser Park.

Mr. Daryl Yost, staff assistant, B.S. and M.A. degrees, attended Manchester College, Ball State University, and Indiana University. Mr. Yost came from Elmhurst High School to Weisser to the position of staff aid.

# Principal, staff assistant govern 'world'

Mrs. Briggs serves in the position of head counselor assisting Mr. Byrne and Mr. Yost with their gubernatorial tasks of passing and enforcing laws, acting as judges and juries for crimes committed within the Weisser World, aiding the departments, and most important, promoting the goals and purposes for which the school was established.

# Secretaries keep order

The World of Weisser Park Junior High could not function smoothly without the secretaries, Mrs. Beal and Mrs. Taulman, to keep things in order, file program cards, and type bulletins.

Mrs. Ivalu Beal

Mrs. Cathy Taulman

# Teachers impart knowledge . . .

Mrs. Ann Baker, room 109, attended Indiana University and Saint Francis College, teaches study hall.

Mr. Steven Bender, room 108, A.B. degree, attended Saint Francis College, teaches Latin and Developmental Reading, sponsors Latin Club.

Mrs. Mary Jo Briggs, room 101, A.B. and M.A. degrees, attended Ball State Teacher's College, Indiana University, and Purdue University, teaches Language Arts, counsels.

Mr. Thomas Burrell, room 102, A.B. degree, attended De Pauw University, Indiana University and Saint Francis College, teaches Language Arts, sponsors Booster Club.

Mr. John Campbell, room 122, B.S. and M.S. degrees, attended Ball State Teachers' College, Indiana University and Purdue University, teaches Home Arts and boys physical education, coaches Reserve football and Varsity basketball, sponsors boys Intramurals.

Mr. Kenneth Crague, library, B.S. degree and Class A Certificate in Library Science, attended Purdue University, is librarian, sponsors Library Club.

Mr. Glen Custard, room 203, A.M. and M.A. degrees, attended Northwestern University and Purdue University, teaches French and mathematics, sponsors Business Club.

# . . . direct development of skills . . .

Mr. Donald Deaton, room 211, B.S. and M.S. degrees, attended Manchester College and Indiana University, teaches Health, Geography, and Orientation.

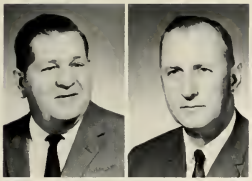
Mr. William Derbyshire, room 202, B.S. degree, attended Miami University and Defiance College, teaches mathematics, coaches football and track.

Mr. Robert Forrester, room 204, B.S. degree, attended Manchester College and Indiana University Extension, teaches mathematics.

Mr. Karl Gombert, room 132, B.S. and M.S. degrees, attended Ball State Teachers' College and Michigan State University, teaches general music and band, sponsors Varsity Band, Cadet Band, Orchestra and Stage Band.

Mr. Donald Hertig, room 128, B.S. degree, attended Ball State Teachers' College, teaches Industrial Arts, coaches Reserve basketball, sponsors boys Intramurals.

Mrs. Mary Irmscher, room 207, B.S., M.S., and guidance degrees, attended Cincinnati University, Indiana State Teacher's College and Ball State Teacher's College, teaches history, sponsors History Club.

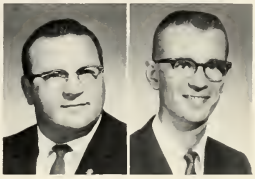


Mr. Clinton Kiser, room 224, A.B. and M.S. degrees, attended University of North Carolina, Marion College and Ball State Teacher's College, teaches General Science and Biology, sponsors Science Club.

Mr. Homer Kline, room 222, B.S. and M.S. degrees, attended University of New Mexico, Highland's University, Manchester College and Ball State Teacher's College, teaches General Science and Biology, sponsors Science Club.

Mr. Robert Leiman, room 120, B.S. and M.Ed. degrees, attended Kent State University, Bowling Green State University, Ball State, and Indiana University, teaches Science, Health and boys physical education, coaches Varsity football and track, sponsors Student Council, Leadership Club, and boys Intramurals.

Mr. Charles Marr, room 130, B.S. and M.S. degrees, attended Ohio University and Ball State Teacher's College, teaches General Music and Choir, sponsors Concert Choir and Cadet Choir.



Mr. Gerald Massie, room 208, B.S., M.S., and a degree in Special Education, attended Ohio State University and Indiana University, teaches special education.

Mr. Laurence Myers, room 104, A.B. and M.S. degrees, attended the University of Notre Dame and Saint Francis College, teaches Language Arts and Developmental Language, sponsors Drama Club.

## . . . provide learning situations . . .

Mrs. Iva Novak, gym, B.S. and M.S. degrees, attended Ohio State University, teaches girls' physical education, sponsors girls' intramurals and cheerleaders.

Mr. Maurice Papier, room 124, B.S. degree, attended Ball State Teacher's College and Indiana University, teaches Art, sponsors Art Club.

Miss Elizabeth Patton, room 126, B.S. degree, attended Webster College for Women, Columbia University, and Indiana University, teaches Home Economics, sponsors Sewing Club.

Mrs. Helen Ponczek, room 219, B.S. and M.S. degrees, attended Indiana University, teaches science, physical education, and health.

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Mr. Russel Poor, room 209, B.S. and M.S. degrees, attended Indiana University, teaches Social Studies, sponsors Travel Club.

Mr. Richard Roe, room 205, B.S. and M.Ed. degrees, attended Bowling Green State University, teaches Mathematics, sponsors girls Intramurals.

Mrs. Virginia Sams, room 105, A.B. degree, attended Indiana Central College, Tulane University and Manchester College, teaches Language Arts and Developmental Language, sponsors Youth For Christ Club.

Mrs. Rebecca Sawyer, room 107, A.B. degree, attended Saint Francis College, teaches Language Arts and Developmental Language, directs publications, sponsors Press Club.

# . . . explain, guide, and discipline

Mr. Keith Schinbeckler, room 213, B.S. and M.S. degrees, attended Indiana University, directs distribution and care of audio visual equipment, sponsors Audio Visual Club.

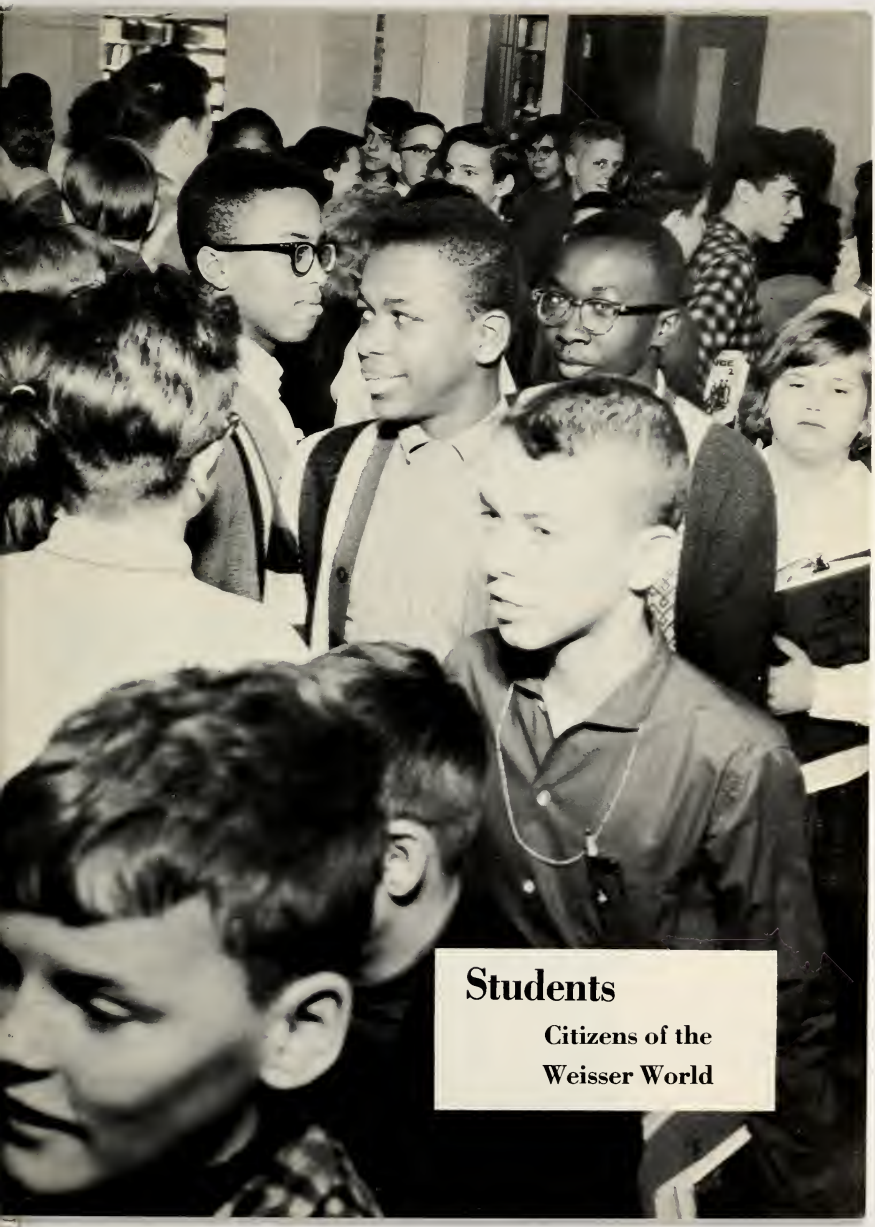
Mr. R. P. Shah, room 220, A.B. degree, attended Elvenstone College, Siddherdh, Bheradiye Vidya, Bhaven, Cujarati, teaches science, sponsors Science Club and India Club.

Mr. Neal Thomas, room 206, B.S. and M.S. degrees, attended Indiana University and Saint Francis College, teaches English.

Mr. Delbert Timper, room 103, A.B. degree, attended Valparaiso University, teaches English and Spanish, sponsors Drama Club and Chess Club.

Mrs. Lois Weick, room 106, B.S. degree, attended Cape Girardeau State College, Washington University, and Missouri University, teaches Developmental Reading, sponsors Y-Teens.

Mr. Earl Weinert, room 201, B.A., M.S., and B.S. degrees, attended Ohio Western University, Ohio State University, and Indiana University, teaches mathematics.



# Students

## Citizens of the Weisser World

The Student Council representatives from the ninth grade have the huge responsibility of leading the way through the first year of Weisser Park School.

The Upstarts, Angie Ioannou, John Gall, Greg Petersen, Art Lee, and Doug Becker, is a famous musical group of Wesser that performs at various activities.

# Ninth Grade beats path through world

Chester Adams
Beautha Anderson
Brenda Armour
James Armour
Verna Arnett

Randy Artherhults
Iris Aven
Kathy Azar
DuVal Bailey
Nathaniel Baker

Roland Baker
Tedzo Baker
Denny Bechtelheimer
Doug Becker
Frank Begue

Brenda Bell
Donna Bercot
Luda Berko
Kitty Bowden
Cindy Brady

Judy Brandt
Rusty Bredemeyer
James Brewer
Lou Stella Brooks
Johnnie Mae Brown

Luba Burban
Pat Burnside
Diana Bush
Willis Carlisle
Betty Carpenter

Linda Carswell
Lynn Cartwright
Matilda Cavazos
Allen Chamness
Tom Clark

Charles Click
Lucille Coats
Joann Cole
Vicki Conn
Connie Coolman

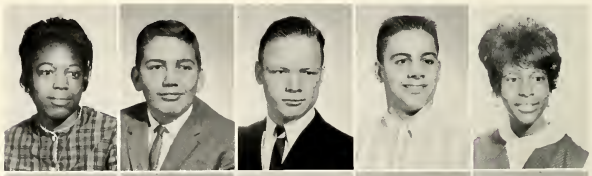
Lillie Cotton
Bill Cox
Valerie Crabill
Ralston Craig
June Crain

Theresa Cuellar
Mary Curry
Kay Dager
Pam Davis
Sheila Day

Paul Dekker
Connie Dibble
Don Ditton
Phil Dodge
Linda Dolph

Kathy Dotson
Peggy Drake
Larry Dray
Debbie Edwards
Jackie Elliott

Fannie Eloms
Larry Faehnrich
Jessie Farber
Gary Fletcher
Annie Ford



Keith France
Randy Frederick
Richard Fulmore
Jack Gaham
Marcia Gater

Cindy Gidley
Dave Gordon
Theresa Goss
Gary Graham
Janell Grave

Charles Green
Dorothy Green
Betty Hafer
Nancy Hafer
Ginger Hancock

Sharon Harper
Calvin Harris
John Harrold
Frank Hawk
Betty Haywood

Richard Hess
David Hiatt
Lynn Hoekstra
Charlie Hole
Larry Horner

Linda Houser
Calvin Howell
Becky Hubbard
Jim Hudlow
Gary Huff

Angie Ioannou
Leonard Jacobs
Chris Jaisler
Mary James
Lindy Jellison

Tom Jewel
Gloria Johns
Curley Johnson
Greg Johnson
Milton Johnson

Pam Johnson
Velma Johnson
Dee Jones
Kathi Jones
Loretta Jones

Vince Karr
David Katz
Steve Kaufman
Henry Kelley
Cynthia Kirtz

McKinley Kizer
Roland Knepper
Pat Knight
Susan Koop
Anna Kowtun

Maxine Krauhs
Bob Lahmeyer
Dorothy Laster
Dennis Laymon
Art Lee

Billy Lee
Steve Loomis
John Lumpp
Pat McClendon
Margaret McDonald

Bill McDowell
Sandy McNutt
Judy McPherson
Marsha March
Kay Merica

Jim Miller
Susie Montgomery
Jill Moore
Bob Moore
Sally Moore

Tony Moran
Gwen Mudd
Kathy Mundt
Kathy Newcombe
Dana Nichols

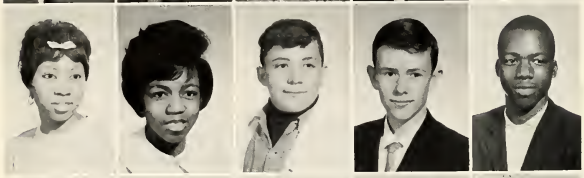
Barry Nordblom
Kathy North
Barry Null
Ivan Ort
Janet Oschatz

Addie Parks
Bob Payne
Lorance Pesetski
Dave Piercy
Barbara Pope

Carol Post
Dale Prasuhn
Candy Proctor
Diane Raines
Judy Rice

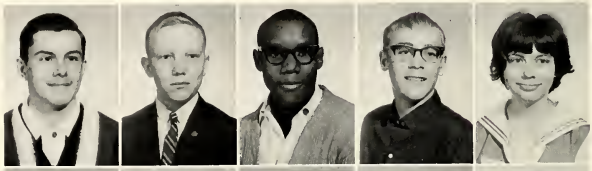
Carla Riley
Jackie Ringler
Jack Roebel
Barb Ross
Charlie Schaefer

Jim Schoenherr
Bob Shopoff
Artie Siler
Ephraim Smiley
Yvonne Smiley



Iketta Smith
Linda Smith
Steve Smith
Terry Speicher
John Stalling

Willie Mae Starks
Jerri Steele
Diana Stephens
Willard Stephens
Evelyn Stevens



Greg Stilwell
David Tarr
Will Thomas
Gary Thompson
Vicky Timinsky

Steve Todd
Vicky Toms
David Traughber
Mary Travis
Delores Turner

Lillie Turner
Carol VanHorn
Karen Varner
Ken Wade
Debbie Walker

Lenia Walker
Cathy Watson
Kathy Webb
Todd Welsh
Joanne White

Lloyd White
Terri Wible
Ken Wickliff
Ernestine Williams
Nuberstine Williams

Bonnie Wilson
Elizabeth Witmer
Dave Worden
Steve Zigler
Rachel Zollinger

"Meanwhile Back at the Ranch"

Sponsors ..... Mr. Myers, Mr. Timper
Directors .. Val Crabill, Randy Artherhults
Producer ..... Luda Berko
Stage Manager ..... Steve Todd
Lighting ..... Don Ditton

Cast:

Lillie Bell ..... Kathi Jones
Whitey Vincent ..... Denny Bechtelheimer
Mrs. Bell ..... Judy McPherson
Jake ..... Dave Tarr
Creeping Crow ..... Connie Coolman
Blacky Carson ..... Lindy Jellison
Tar ..... Steve Smith
Elvis ..... Cindy Gidley
Gus ..... Kathy Webb
Sheriff ..... Dennis Laymon
Square Dancers—Kathy Dotson
Maxine Krauhs
Karen Varner
Mary Travis

The play is a comedy with gallant heroes, dumb outlaws and several exciting fight scenes. Lillie Bell inherits a ranch which the outlaws try to con her out of in order to get the gold that is in the land. U.S. Marshal Vincent is in town on the trail of the criminal who killed his father and brother. Their trails cross and the plot thickens and grows tense with laughter until justice wins out.

Eighth grade Student Council representatives work hard and prepare to follow the footsteps of the ninth graders as next year's student leaders at Weisser Park.

The Princemen, Willie Hagan, John Gall, George Petersen, and Al Williams, is a musical group of eighth grade boys that is up and coming in the Weisser world.

# Eighth Grade follows footsteps

Mary Abram
Dorothy Agnew
Kirk Alexander
Ray Allen
Debbie Arnett
Velma Askew

Theresa Axson
Cliff Babbitt
Leonard Babcock
Anita Baker
Eva Barker
Dennis Beck

Sam Beer
Bruce Bennett
Debbie Bercot
Jim Berry
Marva Betties
Mike Bienz

Larry Billman
Debbie Birkenbeul
Mike Birkenbeul
Christine Bouillon
J. W. Braden
Bob Bradford

Rhonda Bradley
Mike Brady
Pam Bragg
Gary Brautzsch
Rick Brehm
David Brenner

Kenny Brock
Steve Brookhart
Kathy Brooks
Art Brown
Barb Brown
Howeda Brown

Rubin Brown
Wanda Brown
Willie Brown
Milburn Bure
Karen Burnett
Gary Bussard

Jackie Byrd
Brenda Calland
Jackie Capatina
Edward Carlisle
Laura Cato
Carol Causey

Bernice Chambers
Neva Chamness
Debra Charlton
Edgar Chitwood
Denise Clark
Don Clark

Bob Clevenger
Joyce Conrad
Susan Crabill
Laura Craig
Ray Craig
Ann Craw

Mary Crenshaw
Nancy Crow
Pat Dane
Charlene Day
Daisy Dillard
Jackie Dowdell

Betty Drew
Debbie Dunbar
Pat Early
Judi Falk
Marty Ferguson
Jimmy Fincher

Pam Fletcher
Nanette Freeze
T. A. Froebe
John Gall
Cheryl Galloway
Theresa Ganaway

Jerry Gatchell
Paula Gayday
Cheryl Good
Betty Green
Eddie Guy
Willie Hagan

William Hairston
Ollie Harvey
Wayne Hatck
Frances Hawk
Tom Hawk
Moe Haywood

Kathy Hinrichs
Kenny Hole
Paul R. Hood
Nat Hope
Norman Hopson
Sandy Houser

Ernestine Howell
Dan Howey
Alla Hrebenick
Tom Hubbard
Bob Hunt
Doris Huston

Karen Ickes
Marcia Jackson
Tom Jackson
Lavonne Jacobs
Roy James
Owen Johns

Ernie Johnson
Glen Johnson
Julie Jurju
Olga Kalinichenko
Wilma Karst
Patty Kearnes

Karen King
Connie Kirtz
Gary Kitson
Jackie Koch
Jerry Koontz
Lidia Lawrence

Barbara Lee
Lloyd Lee
Bonnie LeFever
Jaunita Linsky
Bobby Lucas
Judy Lyons

Sandy McPherson
Mike Macke
Steve Majors
Leslie Martz
Vicki Marvel
Greg Matson

Barchell Matthews
Becky Merchant
Diane Metzger
Wanda Miller
Kay Millraney
Mike Montgomery

Ronnie Moore
William Moore
Bill Moore
Karen Moreo
Jay Muzeroll
Linda Myers

Dan Nedelkoff
George Neireiter
Claudette Nichols
Cheryl North
Sandie Olinske
Jerry Ort

Ronnie Pandoff
Jim Papagiannis
Ed Parker
Karen Parrot
Kenny Payton
Barb Perez

Theresa Pesetski
George Petersen
Bob Pope
Dorothy Powers
Charles Rayl
Debbie Reynolds

Patty Rice
Richie Ringler
Carol Robbins
Esther Robles
Gary Romine
Martha Rorer

Denny Rothgeb
Rita Ryan
Mike Ryss
Mike Salter
Roger Sanders
Carol Schupbach

Cliff Setser
Walter Shevchenko
Mike Shidler
Gary Silvers
Lee Skinner
Debbie Smith

Ed Smith
Isaiah Smith
Joyce Smith
Bob Smith
Ronnie Smith
Tim Smith

Steve Snyder
Beverly Sparks
David Spillers
Elizabeth Springer
Bertha Stalling
Clarence Starks

Larry Starks
Steve Stearns
Sue Steinkamp
Mike Tassler
Betty Taylor
Bill Teague

Debbie Thomas
Ricky Thurman
Tommy Townsend
James Trice
William Tubbs
Henry Underwood

Donna Walker
Linda Wallace
David Weaver
Wendy Welsh
Pearline White
Willie Whitlow

Sam Whitt
Richy Williams
Art Wilson
Mary Wirt
Jane Witmer
Beverly Woodring

Dorothy Wright
Melody Wrisk

Not pictured:
Lee Alexander
Leonard Brooks
Gary Davis

Miles Edwards
Rex Enos
Cheryl Franklin
Mona Griffin
Carolyn Johnson
Jack Keener
Charles Kirkwood

Cornelius McCoy
William Moore
Andrew Rowles
Shirley Thurmond
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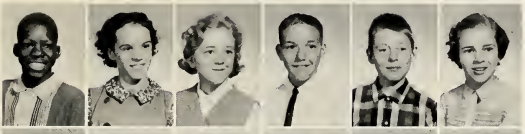
Philomean Williams



Rodney Armour
Janet Andrews
Carol Beechler
Michael Boitet
Michael Dean
Mary Doust

David Eix
William Fincher
Leon Freemon
Thomas Graves
William Malone
Vivian Sizemore

Eddie Soil
Darrell Windom
Carolyn Seslar
Not pictured:
Linda Ryan

# Seventh Grade starts the journey

The seventh grade Student Council representatives work hard and prepare to be the future leaders in their three-year journey through the Weisser world.

On the first leg of their trip through junior high school, the seventh graders learn that good study habits are necessary.

Ray Allen
Kay Anderson
Debby Archbold
Lee Armey
Betty Austin
Paul Azar

Anita Babb
Bill Ethel Baker
Rick Baron
Helen Bartkowiak
Scott Bastian
Dick Beck

Steve Beckman
Edda Bell
Benny Bennett
Dave Berning
Cindy Bosse
Ann Botz

Michael Bradford
Denise Brandy
Jim Brenneman
Danny Brenner
Evins Brooks, Jr.
Gloria Brooks

Sandy Brooks
John Brown
Mary Brown
Wayman Brown
Chris Callahan
Nancy Campbell

Marvin Carswell
Pam Cassady
Sue Causey
Mike Christ
Jerry Click
Ron Click

Floyd Coats
Shirley Coats
Gloria Conn
Laura Conrad
Bob Coolman
Cathy Couture

Dianne Craig
Carol Crow
Becky Crozier
Dewayne Culbertson
Claudia Cureton
Marilyn Curry

Rick Dager
Debby David
Diane Degitz
Katy Deitschel
Bill Dibble
Johnnie Dorsett

Mark Dotson
Linda Dove
Maribeth Downing
Elaine Duesel
Julie Duke
Kevin Dunbar

Edna Dunn
Roxann Durr
Johnie Early, Jr.
Vernita Early
Gary Edgar
Mike Eggiman

Doug Ensch
Debby Ensley
Leonard Epps
Gwen Felix
Jim Fortney
Gregory Freeman

Ruth Galloway
Walt Garnett
John Gause
Mike Gidley
Tim Giese
Dianne Girdner

Rhonda Golden
Kim Goodwin
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Beverly Hood
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Alan Karr
Bob Karst
Ken Keener

Shirley Kern
Willy Kinnie
Robert Kizer
Connie Koch
Doris Kuehner
Kris Larimore

Terry Lawrence
Dave Laymon
Dave Lazzer
James Lee
Joan Lewis
Ernestine Lockett

Wardell Lockett
Debby Long
Walt Longsworth
Ginger Lortie
Eddie Lucas
David Malott

Brad Martz
Emery McClendon
Alfred McCloskey
Carol McCoy
Robert McCoy
Dixie McFadden

Debby McFeters
Carlotta McKinley
James McKinely
Gary Meredith
Jack Miles
Terry Miller

Bev Mills
John Miracle
Jack Mitzner
David Moore
Ruth Morre
Debby Morningstar

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Karen Nash
Mike Nichols
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Linda Parks
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Gwen Paschall
Larry Patterson
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Robert Perez

Clarence Perkins
Arthur Perry
Sheila Perry
Gladys Phillips
Kim Pippin
Patty Poiry

Leroy Powell
Carl Prasuhn
Marion Reed
Miles Robinson
Cathy Rosselot
Edith Rouse

Robert Rowles
Darlene Sanders
Walter Sanders
Paulette Shank
Debbie Shelton
Barbara Sieber

Bonnie Siler
Robert Smiley
Harold Smith
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Maretta Smith
Robert Smith

Vickey Smith
Robert Snow
Carolyn Spillers
Callie Springer
Alberta Stark
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Eileen Steele
Mark Stein
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Tommy Stewart
Kim Stewart
Charles Stout
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Grady Sullivan
Sharon Summers

Joe Surry
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Janette Suttle
Mike Swartz
Ra-Nelle Talley
Tom Tassler

Dianne Tharp
Connie Thurber
Cindy Travis
Jackie Trigg
Larry Turner
Sherry Vietmeyer

Jeri Voigt
Larry Wagner
Wayne Walker
Pat Ward
Paul Ward
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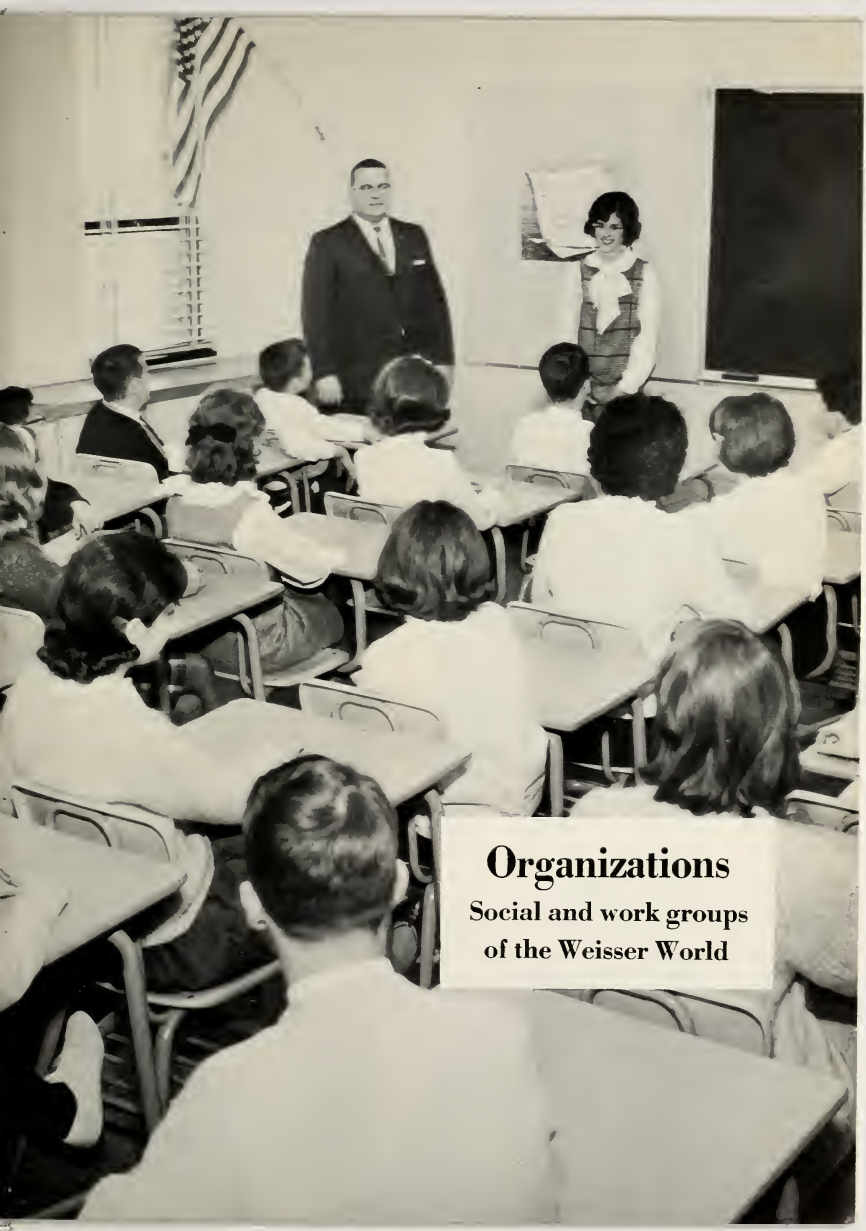


# Organizations

**Social and work groups of the Weisser World**

Ninth graders, assisted by several eighth and seventh graders, with a flair for writing and some artistic talents along with ambition and patience to tackle jobs of planning, writing, cutting, gluing, writing, editing, writing, and selling, constitute the yearbook staff headed by editor-in-chief Karen Varner.

# Journalistic students edit the yearly record . . .

The yearbook editors relax a bit from their busy schedule and smile for the photographer.

Putting together a record of the school year is no easy job and takes a great deal of time as yearbook editor Karen Varner will agree. Since this was the first year for the school publications, planning and organizing that laid ground work for all future yearbooks placed an extra load of work on the staff. Karen's staff consisted of her assistant Don Ditton, Jack Roebel, Business and Circulation Manager; Judy Brandt, Organization Editor; Connie Coolman and Luda Berko, Class and Faculty Editors; Leonard Jacobs, Sports Editor; Barry Nordblom, Photography Editor, and other ninth grade students working on copy and layouts. Several seventh and eighth graders aided in the sales campaign and work with their respective class pictures.

The name "The Weisser World" was selected for its pleasant sound and its literal and literary meaning. The school is like a small world, as is illustrated throughout the yearbook. The cover design selected this year was one submitted by Kay Merica.

Anyone may be a member of the newspaper staff in the form of a reporter of local and homeroom news or a writer of feature stories, but the real workers are those who cover all important news events, write regular columns, edit, rewrite, copy-read, type, proofread, do make-up, and distribute the papers.

The newspaper co-editors, Connie Coolman and Luda Berko, along with their staff consisting of News Editor, Judy Brandt; Feature Editor, Jack Roebel; Sports Editor, Gary Graham, and the reporters, columnists, feature writers, and typists, work together to keep the students up on the latest news in the Weisser world by putting out an edition of "The Weisser Way" each month.

Connie and Luda, respective president and vice-president of the Press Club, and Kathy Azar, secretary, conduct the business meetings of the paper staff and aid their sponsor Mrs. Sawyer in directing work and training sessions for students interested in journalism.

Members of the staff work diligently to meet one of the fast approaching newspaper deadlines.

## . . . and publish the current news in the 'Way' of the 'World'

The Press Club consists of members of the newspaper staff and other students interested in journalism. The students meet with Mrs. Sawyer to learn more about publications. One meeting a month is dedicated to giving out and discussing assignments for the next edition of the school paper.

# Student Council provides local government

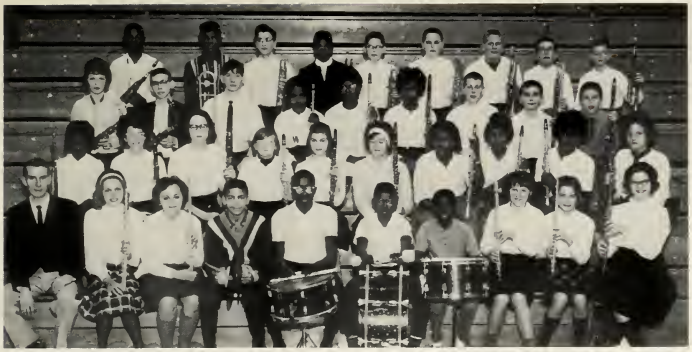
The **Student Council** is composed of sixty-two students led by Cindy Gidley, president, and sponsored by Mr. Leiman, who is assisted by Mr. Yost, staff assistant. The membership consists of two representatives elected from each homeroom and eight ninth grade members at large chosen by the first group. These students work as a group and as individual leaders directing and assisting the whole student body in promoting school spirit, enthusiasm and appearance.

Talent contests, dances, committees for aiding the appearance of the school in ways such as shoveling snow and emphasizing the need for keeping the halls and lockers clean and neat, a committee to provide guides and ushers for school functions and meetings, activity and recreational days for students to socialize through games, and programs and debates concerning topics of behavior, dating, problems, and other items of interest to students are some good examples of the projects and works of the student governing body.

Besides aiding the school, the Council undertakes many worthwhile projects concerning the whole community. Their Thanksgiving and Christmas projects, consisting of collecting foods and cards and caroling, are continuing traditions that help worthy families have happier holidays.

All in all, the Student Council is an important and necessary part of the Weisser world and provides not only for the advancement of the school and its citizens, but does the important job of training leaders and future leaders for the school, community, and world.

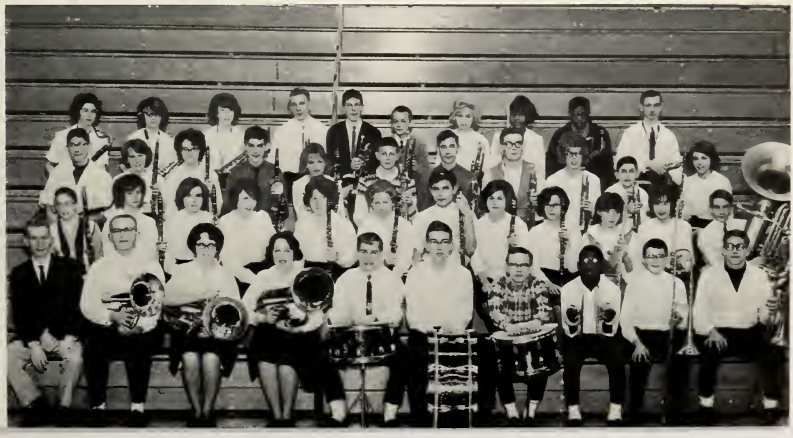
The Student Council officers are (seated left to right) Kathy Dotson, Secretary; Luda Berko, Vice-president; Cindy Gidley, President; (standing) Mr. Leiman, Sponsor; Judi Falk, Assistant Secretary; Laura Craig, eighth grade Vice-president; and Paul Azar, seventh grade Vice-president.



# The Department of Music soothes with song . . .

The **Cadet Band** is a group of thirty-six students who are in training for the Varsity Band and the Concert Orchestra. Through Mr. Gombert the members are provided with an opportunity to increase their musical understanding and abilities and build better relationships through group participation. The band gives one concert a year and plays at home reserve basketball games.

The forty-six members of the **Varsity Band** have a busy year. They have two concerts, a spring tour, and many special programs. In addition, they play at all home varsity basketball games and the tourney and for pep sessions at school. Their practices help them cultivate a better understanding and appreciation of music as well as enriching their cultural background and providing them with wholesome leisure time activities. The band band officers working with director Mr. Gombert are Paul Dekker, president; Karen Varner, vice-president; Carol Van Horn, secretary-treasurer; and Dave Piercy, quartermaster.



# . . . enchants with melody . . .

The *Concert Orchestra* gives two concerts each year, conducts a spring tour, and provides musical entertainment for special programs. The thirty members meet, practice, and, under the direction of Mr. Gombert, grow to deeper undertsanding and appreciation of music through actual playing experiences.

The *Stage Band* is made up of twenty talented musicians of Weisser whose musical abilities are challenged and stimulated through the medium of modern music. Led by the baton of Mr. Gombert, the group performs in various programs and conducts a spring tour.

The *Travelers Four*, Dennis Laymon, Kathy Azar, Mary Travis, and Steve Todd, got together at Smart School last year. They entertained many different groups with their folk tunes.

This year with the addition of Kathy Dotson they extended their repertoire and now call themselves the *Legends*.

The thirty members of the *Cadet Choir* are students of the seventh grade who are in training for the Concert Choir. These students also aim to increase their understanding and love of music and enjoy working and expressing themselves through song. Mr. Marr directs them in their harmonizing and learning.

While walking down the hall one might happen to hear a melodious voice or two humming or quietly singing a pleasant song. It is more than likely one of the sixty-seven eighth and ninth grade students coming from a practice session of the *Concert Choir*. The choir, directed by Mr. Marr, meets regularly to prepare for various school or P.T.A. meetings at which they provide the musical entertainment. However, more important, these students meet to share experiences, to grow in musical understanding, and to develop a deepened love of music by increased enjoyment in singing with emotional outlet and aesthetic response.

The chorus officers that help Mr. Marr are president, Kathy Webb; vice-president, Kathy Azar; secretary, Pam Johnson; librarians, Randy Artherhults and Barchell Matthews.

## . . . and grants means of expression

**The History Club** is an informal group under the direction of Mrs. Irmscher to develop more historical background and interest among students. The members have visited various places in Fort Wayne, among them the Historical Museum, and have each made up a booklet covering his own interests. On the various holidays they present a brief history of the day or customs to the student body.

# Clubs provide for further learning . . .

**The Science Club** is sponsored by Mr. Kline and Mr. Kiser. Mr. Shah of the science department also helps. Through the club, students with special interests in science have opportunities to experiment and learn more of those aspects of science that are not included in their textbooks. They have worked with chemical reactions and a crystal radio.

**The Business Club,** sponsored by Mr. Custard, is composed of a group of students who are interested in a career in the business world. They use club time to practice and develop their typing skills to not only help them in the distant future but while they are in school. Several members do service typing for the teachers.

**The Latin Club** contains students with ambition and keen interest in the Latin language and the people who spoke it. Judy Brandt serves as president and assists Mr. Bender in directing projects such as the drawing of murals and pictures of old Roman scenes and the study of Latin stories.

**Travel Club** is sponsored by Mr. Poor and provides an opportunity for students to learn more about the world through travel. The students do their traveling through lectures, slides, films, and pictures. Vicki Marvel is the president of the club and Steve Loomis is vice-president.

## . . . introduce other people and countries . . .

**The India Club** consists of a group of students wishing to learn more of India. Mr. Shah, Weisser's science teacher who is from India, directs this club and gives the students first-hand information about his country and her customs.

The boys' and girls' intramural groups provide students with the fun of socializing through sports and games, as well as with the chance to exercise and build their bodies with good, healthful physical activity. The competitive games also help instill in the participants the qualities of good sportsmanship and cooperativeness needed for working and playing together as teams and increase and perfect athletic skills.

Mr. Hertig, Mr. Leiman, and Mr. Campbell coach and direct the boys in such sports as basketball, volleyball, and wrestling. Mr. Roe assists Mrs. Novak with the girls' group in setting up practices and tourneys in basketball, volleyball and gymnastics. Various elimination tourneys are held within each group, but occassionally the groups compete or combine for exciting games. The competive spirit enhances enthusiam and fun and exercises sportsmanship and skill.

Several of the highlights of the year were the basketball and volleyball games the girls played against girls from other schools and the wrestling clinic and tourney in which the boys showed their strength and skills.

## . . . increase skills and sportsmanship . . .

# . . . build better citizens and spirit . . .

**Booster Club,** sponsored by Mr. Burrell, works for the betterment of the school and school spirit. The members undertake various projects as selling candy and pop corn after school and at the ball games and selling the Weisser Owl sweatshirts. The profits go to various departments to aid in purchasing equipment and enhancing the school.

The club has a double set of officers providing the opportunity for more students to develop leadership skills and partake in the activities to help the school. The officers are as follows: president, Charles Green and Jim Papagiannis; vice-president, Mary Curry and Mike Macke; secretary, Pat McClendon and Mike Shidler; assistant secretary, Dorothy Green; treasurers, Milton Johnson and Dan Nedelkoff.

**Y-Teens** is a club sponsored by the YWCA and under the direction of Mrs. Weick here at Weisser. Each girl in Y-Teens has as her goals to grow as a person, to grow in friendship with people of other races, and to grow in the knowledge and love of God. The president is Mary Curry, who is aided by the vice president Gladys Phillips. The secretary is Mary James and the treasurer is Vicky Smith. Lydia Hrebenick is devotions chairman.

Y-Teens is a service club and has sponsored a Valentine's Dance and provided servers for buffet dinners at the YWCA. The girls also made favors which were used by the Red Cross Society at the Veteran's Hospital and the Allen County Home for the Aged.

The **Youth For Christ** club, part of the Fort Wayne Area Y. F. C., works to promote the Christian beliefs of life and help students become well-rounded persons. Mr. Roger Vorholzer directs the group with the aid of Mrs. Sams. The program planning officers are Pam Johnson, Margaret McDonald, Bill Teague, and Rachel Zollinger.

# . . . give fellowship, help, and relaxation . . .

**Sewing Club** gives interested girls a chance to sew for fun and get better acquainted with others who enjoy the same hobby, not to mention giving them the opportunity for some of Miss Patton's excellent help and tips on becoming a better seamstress. Jackie Capatina is student chairman of the group.

**Chess Club,** devoted to the development of skills in the art of playing the game of chess, was organized this year and is under the direction of Mr. Timper. Steve Smith was elected president; Gary Graham, vice president; and Dave Tarr, secretary-treasurer. The big project this year was the elimination tournament of which Gary Graham was the winner and Larry Dray, the runner-up.

**Library Club** is a club devoted to the teaching of library procedures and to help students use the library more efficiently for studies and recreation. The main goal of the club this year was to help the librarian, Mr. Cragne, to organize the new library.

The **Leadership Club**, sponsored by Mr. Leiman, provides interested students and faculty members with opportunities to develop better leadership qualities through public speaking and knowledge and use of parlimentary procedures. Each person has the opportunity to be president and conduct several meetings. The students involved have proven the worth of the club and increased the membership greatly.

## . . . serve students and teachers . . .

**Audio Visual Club**, whose purpose is to teach students how to operate and care for audio visual equipment such as movie and slide projectors and tape recorders, is sponsored by Mr. Schinbecker. The officers are Richard Hess, president; Willie Hagan, vice president; Margaret Johnson, sergeant-at-arms; and Allen Chamness, secretary.

# . . . and give opportunity for expression

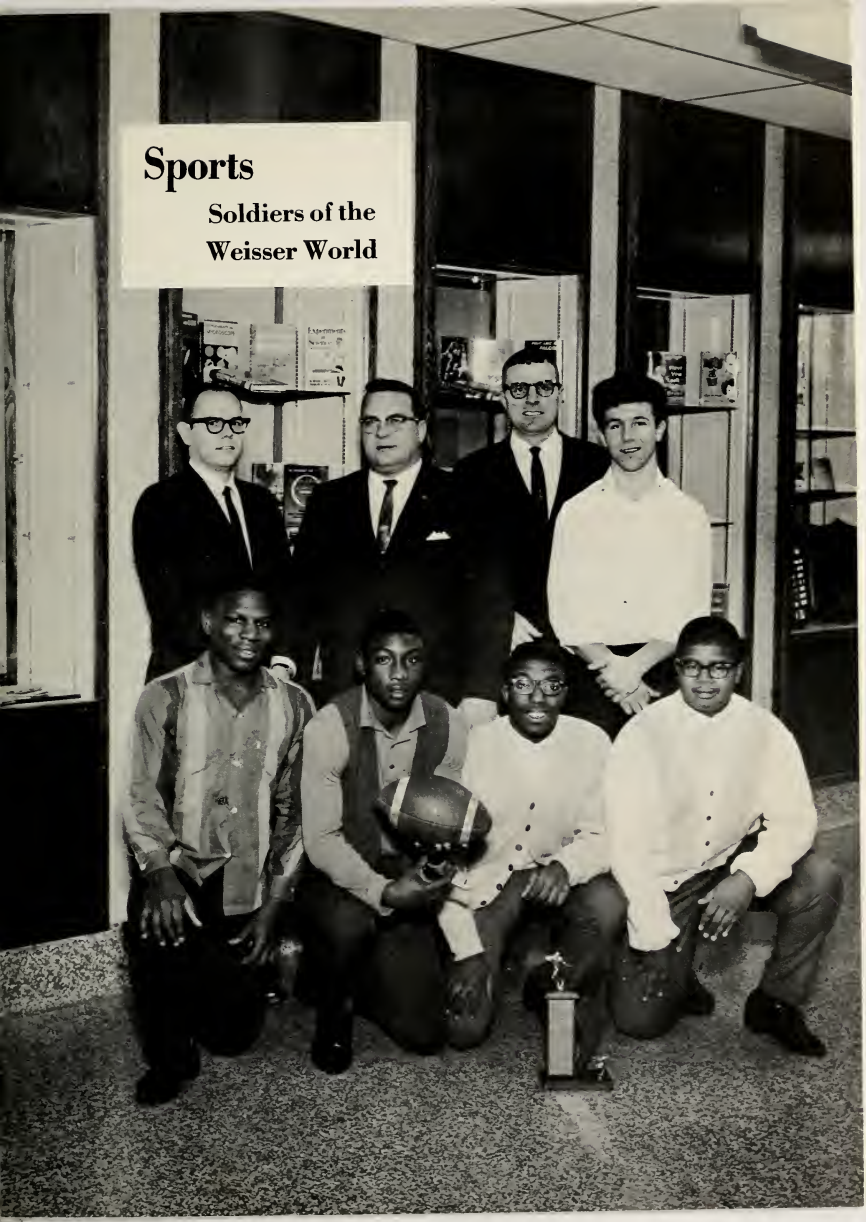
**The Speech and Dramatics Club,** sponsored by Mr. Myers and Mr. Timper, affords students the opportunity of learning and practicing in the arts of public speaking and acting. Along with this comes experience in other phases of theatrics, such as set building, costuming, and makeup. Mary Travis is club president; Steve Brookhart, vice-president; and Kathi Jones, secretary.

The group produced the Thanksgiving play, "Thanksgiving A La Carte" with Kathy Dotson and Lindy Jellison in the lead roles. It is also through this club that the ninth grade puts on its annual play, which this year was, "Meanwhile Back at the Ranch."

**Art Club** provides chances for exploration and development in art and extends the art facilities to those who are unable to participate in an art class during the school day or gives extra time for art students to work on class projects. Each member chooses his own means of expression and creating through any of the mediums available, such as clay, paint, or wood. Mr. Papier guides the use and development of the artistic skills.

# Sports

## Soldiers of the Weisser World



The Weisser Park Fighting Owls—row 1: Mr. Campbell, Calvin Harris, Angie Ioannou, Milton Johnson, Rocky Payne, Chester Adams, Mr. Leiman; row 2: Doug Becker, Tedzo Baker, Will Thomas, Willard Stephens, Nat Baker, Dee Jones, Dale Prasuhn, Bob Shopoff, John Lumpp; row 3: Greg Petersen, Ralston Craig, John Harrold, Allen Chamness, Henry Kelley, Ephraim Smiley, Steve Zigler, Rusty Bredemeyer, David Hiatt; row 4: John Stalling, Gregg Johnson, Rubin Brown, Charles Hole, Roland Knepper, Dave Worden, Art Lee, Steve Loomis, Lindy Jellison, Jim Schoenherr, Gary Thompson.

# The Varsity football battalion victorious

The fighting varsity Owls football team fought valiently to win all battles except the one with Franklin, which ended in a 0 to 0 tie, and came through the year with a shining record to earn the season's medal of honor—a gold trophy. They struggled all the way through some tough competition without giving up a single point until the tourney game. The tourney trophy went to Northwood who defeated Weisser in an exciting contest ending with a score of 12 to 6. The citizens of the Weisser World are mighty proud of their military generals, head coach Mr. Leiman and his assistants, Mr. Campbell and Mr. Derbyshire, and their fighting troops who finished a tremendous first season in a new school.

| Varsity Football Schedule | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Portage .... | 0 | WP ... | 7 |
| Franklin .... | 0 | WP ... | 0 |
| Geyer ..... | 0 | WP ... | 46 |
| Fairfield .... | 0 | WP ... | 26 |
| Kekionga .... | 0 | WP ... | 12 |
| Northwood .. | 0 | WP ... | 6 |
| Tourney | | | |
| Northwood .. | 12 | WP .. | 6 |

Smiling proudly, the coaches, captains, and cheerleaders of the Fighting Owls show off the biggest reward of the season—the first place trophy.

# The mighty, Fighting Owls . . .

. . . trained,

battled,

took orders,

struggled,

outmaneuvered,

and

WON!

The Reserve football team—row 1: Mr. Leiman, Layne Patterson, Larry Turner, Al Williams, Waymon Brown, Tony Robinson, Richie Williams, Mr. Derbyshire; row 2: Kim Goodin, Ronnie Pandoff, Steve Brookhart, Steve Majors, Art Brown, Ken Hole, Willie Brown, Bill Dibble; row 3: Bobbie Lucas, Jimmy Fincher, Leslie Martz, Eddy Lucas, Mike Brady, Bob Hunt, John Gall, Jim Papagiannis, Jim Berry; row 4: Glen Johnson, George Petersen, Bruce Bennett, William Tubbs, J. W. Braden, Sam Whitt, Wayne Hatch, Edgar Chitwood, Gary Silvers.

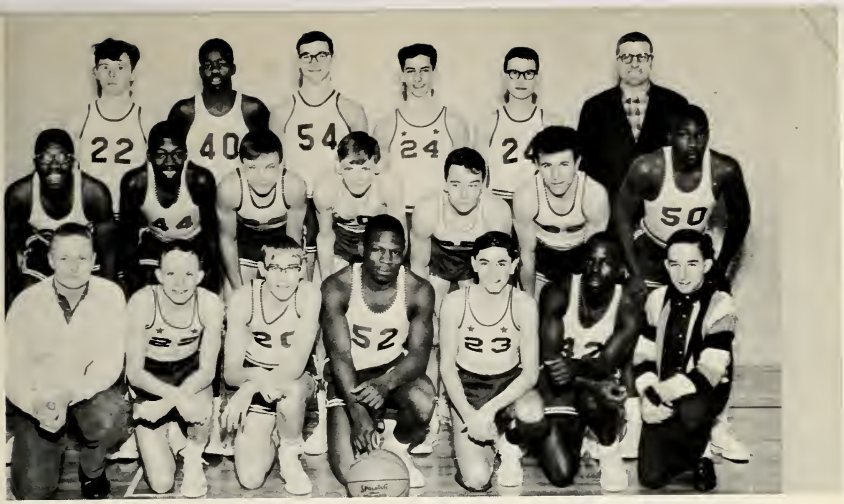
# Reserves train to become a winning varsity squad.

The Reserve football team consists of seventh and eighth grade boys in training for future rank in the Varsity squadron. Their seasonal record of two wins and three losses was not as impressive as that of the Varsity, but the games were close and exciting. With their determination and practice and supported by the cheering and spirit of the fans, they intend to make themselves into a winning varsity squad for next season.

Reserve Football Schedule

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Geyer ..... | 0 | WP ... | 52 |
| Adams ..... | 0 | WP ... | 6 |
| Central ..... | 6 | WP ... | 0 |
| Har. Hill .... | 2 | WP ... | 0 |
| Fairfield .... | 2 | WP ... | 0 |

Drill commanders (Mr. Poor, seventh grade basketball coach; Mr. Derbyshire, reserve football coach and track coach; Mr. Leiman, Varsity football coach; Mr. Campbell, Reserve football coach and Varsity basketball coach; and Mr. Hertig, Reserve basketball coach) keep the troops in shape and ready for combat in sports.



The Varsity Owls—row 1: Allen Chamness, Dave Piercy, Gary Thompson, Clavin Harris, Doug Becker, Willard Stephens, Roland Baker; row 2: Milton Johnson, John Stalling, John Lumpp, Steve Loomis, Chris Jaisler, Angie Ioannou, Chester Adams; row 3: Art Lee, Ephraim Smiley, Dave Worden, Larry Dray, Mr. Campbell.

# Owls met competition valiantly

The competition was hard for the Varsity basketball squad, who were forced to surrender seven of their fourteen games. However, the foes' wins did not come without a fierce struggle from the fighting Owls. After a defeat the Weisser battalion retreated only long enough to reorganize and come back fighting to win half of their seasonal games. Their eighth loss came as a heartbreaker in the first game of the tourney when they clashed with the Fairfield Spartans.

| Varsity Basketball Schedule | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Portage .... | 41 | WP .. | 50 |
| Fairfield .... | 46 | WP .. | 31 |
| Northwood .. | 23 | WP .. | 26 |
| Geyer ..... | 46 | WP .. | 55 |
| Kekionga .... | 38 | WP .. | 41 |
| Central ..... | 42 | WP .. | 21 |
| Har. Hill .... | 37 | WP .. | 46 |
| Northwood .. | 38 | WP .. | 30 |
| Franklin .... | 52 | WP .. | 34 |
| Fairfield .... | 48 | WP .. | 27 |
| Central ..... | 40 | WP .. | 26 |
| Portage ..... | 32 | WP .. | 44 |
| Lakeside .... | 29 | WP .. | 39 |
| Franklin .... | 61 | WP .. | 45 |
| Tourney | | | |
| Fairfield .... | 43 | WP .. | 24 |

The seven girls who team up at every game to boost spirit and direct the cheers are Kathy Azar and Linda Smith, co-captains; Betty Carpenter, Sheila Day, Loretta Jones; and alternates, Iketta Smith and Vicki Conn. Mrs. Carpenter works with the girls and helps them in their practices.

# Reserve squads enjoy victories

The Reserve Owls — row 1: Ernest Johnson, Al Williams, Steve Majors, Richie Williams; row 2: Milburn Bure, Wayne Hatch, Clarence Starks, Willie Tubbs; row 3: Norm Hopson, Art Wilson, Sam Whitt, J. W. Braden, Mr. Hertig.

The Reserve Owls ended with an excellent basketball record, winning all games except one during the season and the final game of the tourney. The boys had some rough competition and fought through exciting games; but with the able coaching of Mr. Hertig, came out with winning scores. Even-though the Owls put up a fierce struggle, the Fairfield Spartans took one seasonal game from them. Both these teams stormed through the tourney to meet once more in the final game. The Owls worked hard but submitted again to the Spartans. However, their able guards and hot scoring forwards provided them with an excellent record and the silver trophy.

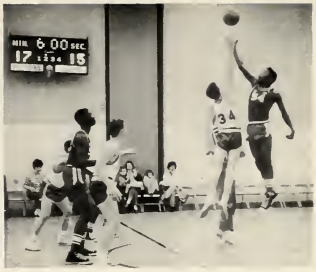
The seventh grade team, under the coaching of Mr. Poor, ended their season with an unblemished record. They sailed past all competition and showed winning form and spirit to indicate a good future for reserve and varsity basketball at Weisser.

Four players, Duane Culbertson, Brad Hall, Wardell Lockett, and Layne Patterson, also served as capable reinforcements for the Reserve team.

| Reserve Basketball Schedule | | |
|---|---|---|
| Northwood .. | 24 | WP .. 46 |
| Kekionga ... | 33 | WP .. 51 |
| Geyer ..... | 30 | WP .. 39 |
| Central ..... | 32 | WP .. 34 |
| Lakeside ..... | 37 | WP .. 50 |
| Portage ..... | 23 | WP .. 55 |
| Adams ..... | 27 | WP .. 61 |
| Har. Hill .... | 32 | WP .. 57 |
| Fairfield .... | 47 | WP .. 35 |
| Tourney | | |
| Franklin .... | 27 | WP .. 53 |
| Geyer ..... | 47 | WP .. 61 |
| Kekionga .... | 40 | WP .. 54 |
| Fairfield .... | 54 | WP .. 36 |

The seventh grade Owls — row 1: Wayman Brown, Duane Culbertson, Willie Kinnie; row 2: Kim Goodin, Wardell Lockett, Cozy Baker, Layne Patterson, Larry Turner; row 3: Louis Hatch, Brad Hall, Richard Beck, Robert Smiley, Mr. Poor.

Mr. McSwane tosses the ball for the tip off opening the basketball season.




J. W. leaps high for the tip starting the second half of another victory.

# Competition was keen and exciting

"Up in the air and through the rim." The varsity played hard but lost.

"Will it or won't it?" It did and helped win a tourney game for Weisser.

"Go get them, boys," Coach Hertig instructs . . .

. . . and they did — to bring home another medal of honor.

# Engineers, cooks keep the world moving

Two other members of Mrs. Paris' staff, Mrs. Smiley and Mrs. Miller, pause from a busy afternoon to smile prettily for the photographer.

The crew that feeds the army and citizens of the Weisser World are Mrs. Winkler, Mrs. Gumbert, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Paris, manager, and Mrs. Beckler.

The force that keeps the World in top repair and running smoothly is the maintenance staff consisting of Mr. Schramm, Mr. Conrad, head custodian, Mrs. Zimmerman, Mr. Rollins, and Mr. Starke.

Where would the world be and how would it survive if its citizens were not fed? How could it operate if its populace did not have a place to stay, work and relax? Without Mrs. Paris and her capable staff to prepare nutritious meals for strength and energy, the students and faculty would not be able to function properly. Without Mr. Conrad and his efficient crew, the Weisser World would hardly be presentable to live in. They keep everything clean and shining and in tip-top condition.

Serving over 500 hungry people each day is no easy job. There are many things that must be taken care of all at once. The members of kitchen staff just do not have enough hands, but they do have the valuable assistance of a group of students who help serve food and collect money for lunches and milk.

What's cookin'?

Aren't we cute?

# All Around

Come on boys; let's dance.

Miss Kohrman, Weisser's first student teacher, shows us the World.

A native of India, Mr. Shah makes science more interesting.

# The Weisser World

Just like a Christmas card!

This could be frantic!

Council members loaded with projects.

Work, work, work!

Varsity Victory breakfast

Student teacher, Miss Ramming and Mrs. Novak plan.

Oof and over!

The rockin' Rockenanny

How's play practice?

Another Council project?

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